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State disciplines health care providers

OLYMPIA — The Washington State Department of Health has taken disciplinary actions or withdrawn charges against health care providers in our state.

The department's Health Systems Quality Assurance Office works with boards, commissions, and advisory committees to set licensing standards for more than 70 health care professions (e.g., medical doctors, nurses, counselors).

Information about health care providers is on the agency Web site. Click on "Provider Credential Search" on the left hand side of the [Department of Health home page](http://www.doh.wa.gov) (www.doh.wa.gov). The site includes information about a health care provider's license status, the expiration and renewal date of their credential, disciplinary actions and copies of legal documents issued after July 1998. This information is also available by calling 360-236-4700. Consumers who think a health care provider acted unprofessionally are also encouraged to call and report their complaint.

Benton County

In March 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program charged certified nursing assistant **Randy R. Ferguson** (NC10048774) with unprofessional conduct. He allegedly failed to comply with terms and conditions set against his certification.

In March 2010 the Medical Commission entered into an agreed order with physician **John C. Perry** (MD00025747) and placed his license on probation for four years. The care he provided fell below the standard while performing surgery on patients. He must comply with terms and conditions set against his license.

Chelan County

In March 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program charged certified nursing assistant **Bryan Jay Maughan** (NA00086334, NC60112951) with unprofessional conduct. He allegedly tested positive for controlled substances during a urinalysis, and dispensed medication without proper delegation.

Clark County

In March 2010 the Licensed Athletic Trainer Program terminated the order of probation against **Brian Keith Apling** (A160045710).

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In March 2010 the Nursing Commission charged registered nurse **Lynette E. Rodd** (RN00082414) with unprofessional conduct. On her reactivation application, she allegedly failed to disclose the revocation of her credential to practice as a registered nurse in Oregon.

Clallam County

In March 2010 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program granted the application of chemical dependency professional trainee **Stephanie Marie Trumbull** (CO60123260) and placed her registration on probation for three years. She pleaded guilty to interference with reporting of domestic violence, assault, theft, obstructing a law enforcement officer, and criminal trespass. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her registration.

Franklin County

In March 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program charged certified nursing assistant **Elizabeth Germeau** (NA60017808, NC60034346) with unprofessional conduct. She was convicted of three counts of false statement on a loan application, and one count of social security fraud.

King County

In March 2010 the Registered Counselor Program denied the application of **Joshua P. Boyd** (RC60078037). He was convicted of pharmacy robbery.

In March 2010 the Secretary of Health charged **Immanuel B. Gitamo** (NA00183922) with unprofessional conduct. He allegedly had sexual intercourse with a developmentally disabled patient.

In March 2010 the Nursing Commission charged licensed practical nurse **Gilda W. Holmes** (LP00050716) with unprofessional conduct. She allegedly failed to administer or failed to document administration of medication to multiple patients.

In March 2010 the Massage Program terminated the order of probation against **Brian C. Jewett** (MA00021909).

In March 2010 the Radiologic Technologist Program charged **Jonathan P. Omer** (RT00006597) with unprofessional conduct. He allegedly failed to respond to Department of Health inquiries concerning his American Registry of Radiologic Technologists.

In March 2010 the Medical Commission amended the statement of charges against physician **Virginia T. Stevens** (MD00030208) for the second time. She allegedly abused alcohol, failed to keep adequate records of patients treatments, entered into a sexual relationship with a patient, authorized prescription refills over the telephone, failed to do complete examinations before treating patients, and aided and abetted two individuals to practice beyond their scope.

Kitsap County

In February 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program denied the application of certified nursing

assistant **Dominique Sheree Lowe** (NC60040184). She was convicted of theft and Medicaid false statement, and failed to disclose the convictions on her application.

In March 2010 the Nursing Commission charged registered nurse **George G. Mason** (RN00122064) with unprofessional conduct. He allegedly diverted narcotics from his place of employment.

In March 2010 the Medical Commission placed conditions against the license of physician **Julie A. McMillan** (MD00041147). She failed to assess all available data and accurately determine a patient's due date for a C-section resulting in a premature birth. On another patient, she failed to fully evaluate a patient and induced a miscarriage resulting in an unreasonable risk of harm, and caused the patient to unnecessarily terminate her pregnancy. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her license.

Pierce County

In March 2010 the Massage Program reinstated the license of **Hosea Immanuel** (MA60036633) and placed his license on probation for two years. He must comply with terms and conditions set against his license.

Snohomish County

In March 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program placed the registration of **Sunita D. Chand** (NA00150097) on probation for one year. She submitted an application to her employer with falsified certificates, and failed to respond to a Department of Health investigation of the matter. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her registration.

In February 2010 the Nursing Commission terminated the order of probation against licensed practical nurse **Keri A. Overgard** (LP00045687). She is also known as Keri A. Askins.

In February 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program denied the application of **Patricia Ann Scott** (NA60120941). She was convicted of driving under the influence, violating anti-harassment/protection order, and disorderly conduct.

Spokane County

In March 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program charged certified nursing assistant **Christopher T. Dassow** (NC10072035) with unprofessional conduct. He allegedly failed to comply with terms and conditions set against his license.

In March 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program charged certified nursing assistant **Vickie A. Eaker** (NC10095577) with unprofessional conduct. She allegedly failed to comply with terms and conditions set against her license.

In March 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program placed the registration of **Ben M. Taylor** (NA00195334) on probation for two years. He used improper and offensive communication with

residents of the adult family home where he worked. He must comply with terms and conditions set against his registration.

Thurston County

In March 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program granted the application of certified nursing assistant **Leandra Marie Lynch** (NC60135021) and placed her certification on probation for four years. She was convicted of possession of stolen property on more than one occasion.

Whatcom County

In February 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program denied the applications of certified nursing assistant **Michael A. Arrington** (NA60095659, NC60101555). He was convicted of criminal trespass, theft, minor in possession of alcohol, and obstructing a law enforcement officer.

Yakima County

In March 2010 the Radiologic Technologist Program charged **Victoria M. Eberle** (RT00003428) with unprofessional conduct. She allegedly failed to keep accurate records of patient payments, altered payment slips, and took about \$295 from the till for her own use.

Out of State

California: In March 2010 the Nursing Commission charged registered nurse **Helen M. Curtis** (RN00051326) with unprofessional conduct. On numerous occasions, she allegedly withdrew drugs for patients, but failed to document administering or disposing of the drugs.

California: In March 2010 the Medical Commission released physician **David P. Knapp** (MD00015769) from terms and conditions set against his license. Dr. Knapp's license is unrestricted in Washington.

Note to Editors: Health care providers charged with unprofessional conduct have 20 days to respond to the Department of Health in writing. The case then enters the settlement process. If no disciplinary agreement can be reached, the case will go to a hearing.

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